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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS SUSAN BITTER SMITH, CHAIRMAN BOB STUMP BOB BURNS DOUG LITTLE TOM FORESE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ORANGE GROVE WATER COMPANY, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF ASSETS AND CANCELLATION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY Docket Nos. W-02237A-15-0008

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION AND MAILING OF CUSTOMER NOTICE

The Orange Grove Water Company (Company or Orange Grove) hereby files its affidavit of publication (Attachment 1) and declaration of mailing (Attachment 2) the public notice relating to the matter.

DATED May 6, 2015.

Arizona Corporation Commission

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Original and 13 copies of the foregoing filed this 6th day of May, 2015, with: Docket Control Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 West Washington Phoenix, Arizona 85007 Donnelly Gerbert

ATTACHMENT 1

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF ARIZONA }
COUNTY OF YUMA }

SS

Lisa Reilly or Kathy White, being duly sworn, says:

That she is Publisher or Business Manager of the Yuma Sun, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Yuma, Yuma County, Arizona; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on the following dates:

April 08, 2015

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:

Publisher or Business Manager

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 8th day of April 2015.

Virgen P Perez, Notary, Yuma County, Arizona

My commission expires: May 10, 2017

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ORANGE GROVE WATER CO PO BOX 889 YUMA, AZ 85366 PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING ON APPLICATION OF ORANGE GROVE WATER COMPANY, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF SALE OF ASSETS & CANCELLATION OF CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY. (Docket No. W-02237A-15-0008)

Summary

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If OGWC's Application is approved, the City will take over water utility service for all of OGWC's current customers and will be the only water utility service provider for what is now OGWC's CC&N service area. The City is not regulated by the Commission and would set the rates and charges for its services independently.

The Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") is in the process of auditing and analyzing OGWC's Application and has not yet made any recommendations. The Commission is not bound by the proposals made by OGWC, Staff, or any intervenor. The Commission will issue a Decision regarding OGWC's Application following consideration of testimony and evidence provided at an evidentiary hearing.

How You Can View or Obtain a Copy of the Application

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Public Hearing Information

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ADA/Equal Access Information

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DECLARATION STATE OF ARIZONA SS. County of Yuma I, the undersigned, hereby declare as follow: 1) I am over the age of eighteen. I have personal knowledge of the statements set forth herein and I am competent to testify at a hearing or trial with respect to the same. I certify that on behalf of Orange Grove Water Company, on April <u>3</u>, 2015, I mailed, or caused to be mailed, to each Company customer notice of the application for approval of sale of assets and cancellation of the Certificate of Convenience and Necessity, which is attached. DATED this 1st day of May, 2015. Kathleen Day Kathleen Day

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